

House Bill No. 685 - Allegany and Garrett Counties; Air  
Quality Control

AN ACT concerning

Air Quality Control Areas - Standards in  
Certain Counties

FOR the purpose of [[providing electric-bill savings to the citizens of certain counties while maintaining air quality at levels fully adequate to protect the public health and preserve the environment; requiring that the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's regulations governing ambient air quality for those counties and air emissions from electric generating stations within those counties be identical to national air quality standards established by the Federal Government pursuant to the Federal Clean Air Act and other applicable Federal legislation; requiring that all fuel-cost savings consequently realized by Maryland public service companies be applied fully to reduce electric bills rendered to consumers in those counties;]] requiring that the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's regulations governing ambient air quality for certain counties and air emissions from certain sources within those counties be identical to national air quality standards established by the Federal Government pursuant to the Federal Clean Air Act and other applicable Federal legislation in effect on July 1, 1975 and adding numbering as appropriate.

May 15, 1975.

Honorable John Hanson Briscoe  
Speaker of the House of Delegates  
State House  
Annapolis, Maryland

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 685.

This bill provides that all ambient air quality standards adopted by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene for Garrett and Allegany Counties shall be identical to "national primary or secondary ambient air quality standards prescribed and adopted by the Federal